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Thanks

Director Michael Rallings,
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Director,

For your meeting with the legislative delegation tomorrow, the Operation: Safe Community plan calls for tougher state sentences for felons in possession of guns.

Right now, here's the state law:

Most felons in possession - class E felony - the lowest class of felony with a standard sentence of 1-2 years, eligible for probation and, if sentenced to incarceration, eligible for parole after serving 30 % plus credits for good behavior, participation in programs, etc.

If the prior conviction is for drug trafficking - class D felony - a standard range of 2-4 years but with the same probation and parole eligibility.

If the prior conviction is for a violent crime - class C felony - a standard range of 3-6 years but with the same probation and parole eligibility.

The proposed legislation we are suggesting would increase each level by one class:

Most felons in possession - class D

If prior conviction is for drug trafficking - class C

If prior conviction is for a violent crime - class B (standard range 8-12 years)

Frankly, I wish we could also make these non-probatable and non paroleable, but that would make the fiscal note a big issue.

I think it is fine for you to mention that Senator Norris is a member of the Crime Commission board and is working on having the legislation drafted.

Hope that helps. (Please confirm that you got this.)

Bill G.

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